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Dr. Joshua Lederberg  
Department of Genetics  
University of Wisconsin  
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

In the course of a research project on the cytology of bacteria, we have been attempting to correlate physiological and genetical behavior of microorganisms with their cytological appearance. We now need a proven diploid strain of a bacterium to clarify some of the data we have accumulated. If it would not be an infringement on any of your research I would appreciate receiving cultures of any organisms you have proven to be diploid through your recombination studies, including the "het" strain of K-12. We plan to use such organisms in a cytological study of radiation inactivation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. Bennett Clark".

J. Bennett Clark  
Assistant Professor

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